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December Transit Board Meeting Highlights Summary

The Board recognized two of its members for years of service and leadership during the December meeting. Clallam County Commissioner Jim McEntire was commended for his four years of service as a regular Board member. Forks City Councilman Mike Breidenbach was recognized for two years of service as an alternate Board member.

During the regular monthly meeting in November, the Board conducted a public hearing on the system's proposed 2016 budget. The primary budget revenue driver is a projected 1 percent increase in sales tax collections. Fares revenue is projected to drop in 2016 to the match 2015 actual projection. Vanpool and charter revenue will also be reduced to projected 2015 actuals. Staff projects a $8.8 million revenue budget in 2016 with a $8.4 million projection of expenditures. This leaves a projected $395,000 net operating income for operating and capital reserves and capital purchases. There was no public present to provide public comment or testimony on the proposed 2016 budget. One public comment was received by the system prior to the public hearing and it resulted in no change to the previously developed budget.

Other action taken by the Board included:

- Approval of an operating and project/capital budget for 2016 totaling $9,897,000.
- Adoption of updated mission, vision, and values statements and 2016-2018 systemwide goals and objectives.
- Acceptance of an amendment to the 2014-2020 Transit Development Plan
- Approval of authorizations for a request for proposals and contract award for transit advertising services.
- Approval of the 2016 nonrepresented personnel salary/wages schedule.

- Authorization for travel and participation for one Board member to attend the upcoming Washington State Transit Association (WSTA) annual Legislative Conference in January 2016 in Olympia.

The next meeting of the CTS Board will be held on Monday, January 25, 2016, at 1:00 p.m. at the Clallam Transit System in Port Angeles.

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